

81. If any Preceptor or other elective officer or officers elect shall, for some reasonable cause, explained to the satisfaction of the next regular meeting after the election, be prevented from attending at such next regular meeting, then he or they shall be installed and invested at some subsequent meeting, which may be either a regular meeting or a meeting especially called for the purpose.

82. No one shall be eligible for the office of Preceptor unless he shall at the time of his election have served, or will at the next regular day of meeting of the Preceptory have served, for the space of one whole year the office of a Constable or Marshal in some registered Preceptory, except Knights who, prior to the date of these Statutes, having served the office of Chaplain for one whole year in a Preceptory, shall be eligible for the office of Preceptor of that Preceptory; and also except by a dispensation from the Great Prior.

83. Every Preceptor shall forthwith on his installation appoint all the officers of the Preceptory, other than the elective officers, and the Preceptor elect of any Preceptory shall not assume the chair, or exercise authority in any Preceptory, until he shall have been regularly installed. He is responsible for the due observance by the members of his Preceptory of the by-laws of the same, and of the Statutes, laws, and ordinances of Great Priory.

84. Should a Prince of the Blood Royal honour any Preceptory by accepting the Office of Preceptor, he may appoint a Pro Preceptor who shall be regularly installed and entitled to all the privileges of an actual Preceptor.

85. The Preceptor of any Preceptory may, in case of necessity, with the consent of the Great Prior or Provincial Prior of the Province or District, be installed in any other Preceptory, on the production of a certificate of such election signed by the Preceptor and Registrar of the Preceptory of which he shall have been elected Preceptor.

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